GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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REQUIREMENT OF COACHES
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of various types of railway coaches required every year by the railways;

(b) whether the demand of the railway coaches are not met by our factories and coaches are required to be imported from foreign countries;

(a) if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the passenger coaches are exported by the Government; and

(c) if so, the details thereof, country-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a) During the last three years, the Railways have yearly acquired nearly 40 types of coaches.

(b) & (c): The present capacity available in the two coach factories of Indian Railways i.e. Integral Coach Factory(ICF), Chennai and Rail Coach Factory(RCF), Kapurthala, supplemented by two coach factories in public sector i.e. M/s Jessops & Co., Kolkata and M/s Bharat Earth Movers Limited, Bangalore, is more than sufficient to meet the requirement of Indian Railways. There is, therefore, no import of coaches on account of shortage in capacity.

(d) Yes, Sir. M/s Rail India Technical & Economic Services(RITES) and M/s Indian Railway Construction Limited(IRCON), the two public sector undertakings under Ministry of Railways are nominated to export the rolling stock & spares manufactured by Indian Railways.

(e) The details of export of coaches and coach spares, manufactured by the two Indian Railway Coach Factories, during last 10 years are as under:

ICF

Year	Number of Country to whom exported coaches/coach spares	
1994-95	15 Metre Gauge coaches	Vietnam
1997-98	27 Metre Gauge coaches	Tanzania

RCF

Year	Number of Country to whom exported coaches/coach spares	
2000-01	72 Nos. Metre Gauge Bogies	Vietnam